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APPLICANT: ROBERT UDEN ART UNIT: 3754

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), for a three-month extension, until May 10, 2010, in which to file a *Request for Continued Examination* and *Amendment in Response to the Final Office Action* to the final Office Action, dated May 10, 2010, for the above-identified patent application. The shortened-statutory period for

response expired on February 10, 2010. The requisite fee of \$555.00 (small entity) is being concurrently remitted via EFT.

Respectfully submitted,

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